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PATENT EXAMINING OPERATION**

In re Application of:
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Serial No.: 10/761,041

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
DATED MARCH 8, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This paper is presented in response to the Office Action dated March 8, 2005. Applicant hereby includes original claim 1 and adds new claims 2-7. Applicant argues below that this Response leaves all pending claims allowable over the cited art and removes all pending rejections and/or

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objections. This paper is timely mailed on or before Friday, July 8, 2005, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.7, to fall within the first month extension of the three month shortened statutory period. As set forth below, and attached hereto, Applicant respectfully petitions the Office for a one month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and has included herewith the extension of time fee of \$60.00, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1). The statutory fee under §1.17(a)(1) for the first month extension of time is enclosed herewith.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

DRAWING AMENDMENTS:

Please enter the attached amended replacement drawing sheet, marked "Replacement Sheet" in the top margin pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d), which includes drawing Figures 1-3. Drawing Figures 1-2 have been amended to distinguish the "seat" portion "23" from the "static seal" portion "22," as requested. Figure 3 has also been amended to better identify the lip profiles "24" and "26." A marked-up drawing sheet entitled "Annotated Marked-up Drawings," is also attached to this Office Action Response and refers to drawing Figures 1-3.